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Dist. of Mangalore - re employment of Engine driver for the disinfecting machine - Sanctioned.

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Port Health Establishment - South Kanara District - Mangalore port - disinfecting plant - location - G.O.No.382 Mis. Finance (Marine) dated 20-8-24.

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ENCLOSURES.

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Ref.C. No. 7681-24.

Station Mangalore *Dated the* 17th September 1924.

From (Name) C. A. Souter, Esq., I.C.S.,

(Designation) Collector of South Kanara.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Finance (Marine) Department.

Madras.

Sir,

Pursuant to the instructions contained in

A para.5 of the G.O. quoted above, I consulted the District Medical Officer, as to what he intended to do with the disinfecting plant already located at the Mangalore port for the disinfection of clothing, etc., of the passengers leaving or arriving at the port by steamer. He suggests that the disinfecting plant may be located at the premises of the Government Head Quarters hospital so as to serve the purpose contem-

A plated in para.5 of the G.O. and also to provide for

the disinfection of clothing and bedding of the in-patients of the hospital. With this view I do not agree. The Head Quarters hospital is situated at a distance of about a mile from the port where the plant is located and it will, therefore, be necessary to retain the plant in its original place to ensure proper and careful examination and disinfection of passengers immediately at the place of destination or departure in case any necessity arises. The transfer of the plant to the Head Quarters Hospital would cause serious inconvenience to the passengers and would, I am afraid, frustrate the object in view in as much as the chances of detection at a place remote from the port are slender. In these circumstances, I would recommend the retention of the disinfecting plant in its already existing place. This course will necessitate the retention of only the Engine driver who has been disbanded with effect from the 15th inst., as directed in the above G.O. If the Government agree with me, I request that sanction may be accorded to the re-employment of the Engine driver with effect from the date on which his services were dispensed with.

Your obedient servant,

For Collector.

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Port health staff Mangalore

From the Collr. of S. Kanara No. 7681-24 dt 17.9.24

In Go. No. 382 Fin: (Marine) dt 20.8.24, (A) the Govt. sanctioned the abolition of the posts of Engines Driver and of Fireman at the port of Mangalore (in connection with the ~~abolition~~ general question of reduction of port health Establishments at coastal ports) and under para 5 of the order, the disinfecting work if any, to be done at the port should be done at the headquarter hospital. This arrangement was sanctioned ~~at~~ with the concurrence of the Collector and the Surgeon General – Vide (A) pages 29 and 31 of Go. 382 Mar dt 20.8.24.

2. The Collector now reports that the arrangement would be inconvenient as the headquarter hospital is about a mile from the port and requests (sanction for) the ~~re~~entertainment of the Engineer Driver. The present policy is to keep down the Expenditure on port quarantine charges as far as possible in view of the attitude of the Govt. of India to throw these charges on provincial revenues. Again the Govt. ~~do not~~ consider that ~~the~~ ~~[illegible]~~ much justification does not exist for Exercising too

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+ Correspondence in Gos. 87-88 Mar dt 20-2-24. (E)

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much control over the importation of infectious diseases in the case of persons coming into the presidency from ports in India and Burma – Vide Opn on page 20 of Go. 382 Mar. 8 20.8.24. In the circumstances it does not appear that the arguments of the Collr. should be given undue weight and orders are solicited whether the proposal of the Collector may be related. (A)

3. If the Engine Driver is to be re-employed it does not seem that the sanction should be given retrospective effect as proposed by the Collector.

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22.8.24

"I do not think that this would pass can be countenanced. The whole assumption underlying the present scheme of Port Health Inspection is that only reported cases & contacts will be dealt with. I contend that because the hospital is one mile from the port, great inconvenience will be caused. [redacted] belongs rather a lack of proportion. The boiler may be told that the disinfecting machine may be sent to the hospital & the engine driver be discharged. The result of the arrangement may be reported in due course. Hrs 29/8/24

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The general rule of course is concerned chiefly with the importation of infection from outside India. The people along the west coast however have always been afraid of the importation of plague ~~in~~ from Bombay and it was because of this presumably that the disinfecting machine and staff were sanctioned. The probability is that this has been put before the Collector since he wrote his letter of the 5th of June, but I don't suppose that the disinfecting machine has really served any useful purpose and I think we may adhere to the original order.

RAG
3/9/24.

Draft order subd.

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Port of Mangalore - Reemployment of Engine driver attached for the Dis. infecting machine - refused

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READ ALSO:-

C. No ....., From the Coll. of S. Kanara Rep. No. 7681-24 dated 17-9- 1924.

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ORDER. No. 466, dated 4 October 1924

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(A) The Govt see no sufficient reason to modify G.O. No. 382 Fin: (Marine) dated 20-8-24 so as to permit the re-employment of the Engine driver attached to the disinfecting plant located at the port of Mangalore. The machine may be sent to the Govt. headquarters hospital at the place.

Issued 8/10/24

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To,

The Collector of S. Kanara (2 cys)

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